



## August 2016 Events

### Santa Cruz Mission State Historic Park

The Santa Cruz Mission State Historic Park is located on School St. off of Mission and Emmet Street in Santa Cruz. Hours of operation are Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. and Sundays from 12:00 to 4:00 pm. We will close early on Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> to recognize our volunteers. Please call (831) 425-5849 for more information.

#### **Junior Rangers – Rancho Life: Californio Kids**

**Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am– 12:15 pm**

Junior Rangers is a statewide program for 7 – 12 year olds. Practice the skills and games that children developed during the rancho era of California's history. Bring home a craft that shows off your new abilities! Space is limited. Register by calling 831 425-5849.

#### **Zanja Hike: Walk the Path of Early Santa Cruz's Water History!**

**Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am. - 12:00 pm.**

Trace the course of the old water canal ("zanja") that was dug to Mission Santa Cruz by Ohlone indigenous people in the late 18th century. Imagine our city's landscape as it appeared 200 years ago. Join educator and local history author Dean Silvers on this 2.5 mile gradual downhill trek with views, maps, photos and discussion as we piece together the route of this historic waterway. A map will be provided to each participant. Meet at the Santa Cruz Mission State Historic Park at 9:30 am. to carpool. Limited parking is available at the end of Spring Street, where the hike will begin at 10:00. The (approximately) 2 hour hike will end at the Santa Cruz Mission State Historic Park, which is a lovely spot for a bag lunch if you wish to bring one. Bring water, hat and sunglasses, and layers of clothing.

#### **Wool, Spinning, and Weaving at the Santa Cruz Mission**

**Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> , 1:00-2:00pm**

How did an isolated settlement clothe the hundreds of people who lived there? Take an in depth look at the cloth industry of Mission Santa Cruz. We will follow the path of wool from the sheep to the shirt. You will have the chance to try your hand at a drop spindle and spin your own wool. The event is **FREE**.

#### **Junior Rangers – Rancho Life: Paper Arts**

**Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am– 12:15 pm**

Junior Rangers is a statewide program for 7 – 12 year olds. Work with traditional forms such as bark paper art, and make colorful decorations with "papel de seda". Space is limited. Register by calling 831 425-5849. T

#### **Guided Adobe Tour at the Santa Cruz Mission**

**Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM**

Join us at the Santa Cruz Mission State Historic Park for a guided tour of the oldest building in Santa Cruz. Come learn about the many families who have called this 180-year-old mission adobe their home. Tours are conducted rain or shine.

**Gardens of Time****Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> , 1:00-2:00pm**

Stroll through history as you visit the various gardens within our courtyard and patio. We can learn a good deal about people who lived here in the past by exploring the plants they used and cultivated. Tour our native plant gardens, demonstration vegetable beds and Victorian “Nearyland”. Take home history in a seed. The event is **FREE**.

**Old Fashioned Campfire for the Whole Family at the Mission****Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 – 8:00 PM**

Bring your picnic dinner and lawn chairs. Make a fresh tortilla on the comal as we enjoy live music by special guests Peter Weiss and the Earth Rangers. Then we’ll gather around the campfire for songs, skits, and stories. What a great way to relax into summer with the best views of Santa Cruz! The event is FREE.

**Building Methods at the Mission****Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 1:00-2:00pm**

Come and see how the oldest building in town was made. We will look at the materials used by the Ohlone to build their homes and then at the materials used by the Spanish to build Mission Santa Cruz. You will have the chance to get your hands dirty and make your own mini abode brick. The event is **FREE. Rain Cancels**.

**Gardens of Time****Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> , 1:00-2:00pm**

Stroll through history as you visit the various gardens within our courtyard and patio. We can learn a good deal about people who lived here in the past by exploring the plants they used and cultivated. Tour our native plant gardens, demonstration vegetable beds and Victorian “Nearyland”. Take home history in a seed. The event is **FREE. Rain Cancels**.

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